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Letter To The Editor

November 4, 1974

Dear Editor:

For the past two decades, many American families have been busy building material empires. Values and morals have been sorely neglected. This neglect is being reflected through the actions of adults and young people. Among segments of our society, there is no concept of what is morally right and what is morally wrong, of what is decent and what is indecent.

We, the people of Appomattox County, have been very fortunate to live in the wholesome environment that this county has provided for us. Knowledgeable citizens, law enforcement officers, doctors, nurses, and educators can support the fact that our environment is deteriorating.

Athletic events provide one of the major means of entertainment for the citizens of our county. As a spectator, a parent, and a teacher, I was concerned and offended by the misconduct of some spectators at the last game. Obscenities and profanities were shouted to the coaches and players. Children walked up and down the stands throughout the game, instead of waiting until halftime, obstructing the view of spectators.

There are many wholesome, outstanding young people within the county. Our greatest legacy to society can be our youth. It is hoped, now that we have reached our materialistic summit, that the home and the school will endeavor to teach the values and morals which are so essential to a happy and productive life.

Sincerely,
Estaline McCraw

November 4, 1974

The Editor of the News
Times Virginian
Appomattox, Va.

Dear Sir:

I would like to take this opportunity to encourage the readers of your paper to write their national Senators and Congressmen concerning the nomination of Nelson Rockefeller as Vice President. This man is no friend of the working man nor a true American, but an internationalist socialist who does not mind seeing your hard earned tax dollars being shared with the Communist, lazy and shiftless here and around the world while he and others like him get richer and richer. We are now facing the greatest danger to our republic than ever before, with an unelected President and a man who has betrayed his party, his nation and is now trying to weasel his way into office under the never before used 25th ammendment, because the people of this nation would not have him at the polls. This will give us two unelected officials in the two highest offices of our nation, which in my opinion will mean disaster to our historic way of life. Be not deceived, this man has his eye on the presidency of this nation and with his power, money and associates, it can be accomplished. If you have not written your representatives before, now is the time to start and simply tell them your opinion. Our two Senators are Harry F. Byrd, Jr. and William L. Scott. Senate Office Building, Washington D. C., 20510. The Congressman for this district is Dan Daniel, House Office Building, Washington, D. C., 20515. Remember, nothing in politics happens accidently and your influence counts, so use it, write that letter today.

I would also like to thank radio station WTTX for the new program that they have started called Liberty Lobby, which is aired at 8 a.m. Monday through Friday, that keeps you up to date on the happenings in Washington that affect you and your future. If you care for your freedom and your nation, you should listen to this informative program and also write your representative often.

Clyde T. Mayberry
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Girl Scouts Express Appreciation

Marion Pinkerton, President of the Virginia Skyline Council, has authorized the sending of an OPEN LETTER on behalf of the Council to the PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, thanking him for advocating support of the United Way drives currently ongoing throughout the nation. As stated by Mrs. Pinkerton's letter "Our Council receives a large part of its financial backing from 25 United Ways throughout our jurisdiction of 27½ counties in Virginia, including one in West Virginia.

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500
My dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the Virginia Skyline Girl Scout Council, I want to thank you for your public support of United Way Drives which was aired on the television networks in September.

Our Council receives a large part of its financial backing from 25 United Ways throughout our jurisdiction of 37½ counties in Virginia, including one in West Virginia.

Through the United Ways many of our vital community services are made possible.

Sincerely,
Mrs. David Pinkerton
President

Men's Chorus At Promise Land

The Rev. J. D. Scruggs and his Men's chorus from the Rising Sun Baptist Church of Amherst, Va. will render a special service at the Promise Land Baptist Church this Sunday evening at 3 p.m. All officers, members and friends are cordially invited to be present. Rev. Scruggs will be the principal speaker.

A large delegation of relatives and friends from Appomattox attended the "This is Your Life" program in honor of Mrs. M. L. Collier last Sunday evening at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Blackstone, Va. A capacity packed audience witnessed the well-planned program. Mrs. Collier, a retired teacher and principal of Blackstone and Lunenburg County schools is the sister of Rev. Lawing. She received many gifts and a love offering.

A very large crowd attended the annual Usher's program at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church last Sunday evening at 3 p.m. The Rev. J. W. Paige and his chorus from the Mount Shiloh Church of Monroe, Va. were the special guest. Mrs. Lucinda Lewis, president of the local Usher Board served as mistress of ceremony. The Reverends C. L. Elliott and Raymond Turner took an active part in the service.

All members and friends of the Appomattox Assembly are reminded of the annual program on next Wednesday evening at the Galilee Baptist Church fellowship hall. Mr. Archie Mosley, president of Prince Edward County Assembly, will be the guest speaker.

A large crowd attended the regular services at the Galilee Baptist Church last Sunday morning. The pastor delivered an inspiring message.

Mr. James Branton of Madison Heights, Va., will render a musical program at the Galilee Baptist Church on the third Sunday evening in this month at 7 p.m.

A large crowd attended the regular preaching service at the Zion Baptist Church, Pamplin last Sunday morning. The Rev. A. J. Sherrill was the guest minister. The local church choir rendered beautiful music. A large number of visitors attended the service.

The regular monthly meeting of the local chapter of the NAACP will be held at the Spout Spring community center this Monday evening at 7:30. All officers, members and friends are asked to be present.

YOU'RE WHISTLING IN THE DARK.
IF YOU THINK THAT HEART ATTACK AND STROKE HIT ONLY THE OTHER FELLOW'S FAMILY.

Puritan Pulpit

GOD, OUR OWN GOD . . . Psalm 67:6

It is strange how little use we make of His spiritual blessings which God Himself, Though He is "our own God," we apply ourselves but little to Him, and ask but little of Him. How seldom do we ask counsel at the hands of the Lord! How often do we go about our business, without seeking His guidance! In our troubles how constantly do we strive to bear our burdens ourselves, instead of casting them upon the Lord, that He may sustain us! This is not because we may not, for the Lord seems to say, "I am yours, come and make use of Me as you will; you may freely come to My store, and the oftener the more welcome." It is our own fault if we make not free with the riches of our God.

Then, since you have such a friend, and He invites you, draw from Him daily. Never want while you have a God to go to; never fear or faint while you have God to help you; go to your treasure and take whatever you need . . . there is all that you can want. He can supply your every need. Let me urge you, then, to make us of your God. Make use of Him in prayer. Go to Him often, because He is your God. Oh, will you fail to use so great a privilege? Fly to Him, tell Him all your needs. Use Him constantly by faith at all times. If some dark providence has beclouded you, use your God as a "sun"; if some strong enemy has beset you, find in God a "shield", for He is a sun and shield to His people. If you have lost your way in the valley of life, use Him as a "guide", for He will direct you. Whatever you are, and wherever you are, remember God is just what you need, and just where you want, and that He can do all you want.

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Jordan News

Sunday School each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

On Sunday, November 10, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. Rev. James Johnson and the spiritual Knights will be here for the benefit of the junior choir. The public is invited to attend this program.

The Youth Club met Monday, November 11, at 7:30 p.m. We will also have Bible study.

The junior choir members are reminded that we are to practice Saturday, November 9 at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is asked to be on time.

The senior choir will practice Friday, November 8, at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, November 16, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. The Spiritual Knights of Madison Heights, Virginia will be celebrating part one of their 9th Anniversary at the Jordan Baptist Church. Some of the groups appearing on part one will be, the Golden Echoes, the Echoes of Joy, The Community Singers of Halifax, the Starlight Singers, the Gospel Harmonettes, the Gladstone Gospelettes, and the Gospel Crown. Plan now to attend.

We wish Mrs. Berta Hicks a speedy recovery.

Remember to pray for the sick and the shut in.

Mission Study at Liberty Baptist

Mission Study Class on Monday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Helene Harvey will teach the mission study book, "How in This World", The class will be held in the Fellowship Hall at Liberty Baptist Church. All WMU members and baptist Young Women in the association are invited to attend.

FDIC INCREASES DEPOSIT INSURANCE

On October 28, 1974, the President approved an amendment to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act. Among other things, this legislation increases insurance on deposits from $20,000 to $40,000 for each depositor, effective on Nov. 27, 1974.

The Sunday School Lesson

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Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, November 10, 1974.

Topic: When National Crises Arise.

Scripture: Jeremiah 1: 1-10; 37-38.

Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people. Proverbs 14:34.

Jeremiah lived in a time of international crisis. About a century before he began his prophetic ministry (626 B.C.), the northern kingdom of Israel had been conquered and its people exiled by a resurgent Assyria. Before Jeremiah's time, King Manassek of Judah had begun paying tribute to Assyria, but by the time he began his ministry, Assyrian power was waning. In 625 B. C. Nabopollassar successfully revolted against Assyria and established a new kingdom in Babylonia. In alliance with the Medes, he captured the Assyrian capital, Nineveh, in 612.

King Josiah of Judah seized the opportunity afforded by Assyria's declining strength to reaffirm his nation's independence and to lead a religious revival, which had both spiritual (Josiah was a godly man) and political (showing independence of a foreign power) overtones. The prevalence of idolatrous practices was so widespread that, in part at least, to Assyrian pressures, a circumstance which does not lessen the sin of king and people in engaging in them.

Following the capture of Nineveh, Egypt, under Pharoah Neco, entered into alliance with Assyria and sent an army to support the Assyrians in fighting the Babylonians and the Medes. Josiah undertook the block the Egyptian army's march and was killed in battle in 609, defeat which made Judah tributary to Egypt, with Pharoah choosing the kings to rule in Jerusalem.

In 605, Nebuchadrezzar, Nabopolassar's son, defeated the Egyptian army at Carchemish. His father's death prevented Nebuchadrezzar from following up immediately his decisive victory, and Judah became a pawn on the international chess board. Nebuchadrezzar removed Jehoiachin, the Egyptian puppet, from the throne of Judah in 597, replacing him with his uncle, Zedekiah, whom he intended to be his viceroy. But Nebuchadrezzar had taken captive to Babylon the stronger members of the royal family and alder leaders, the best workmen and soldiers lest they lead a rebellion. Zedekiah was left with an influential element in the royal family and among the leadership still friendly and loyal to Egypt. These frustrated his efforts to bring Judah under Babylonian hegemony.

Jeremiah favored acceptance of Babylonian overlordship not only from political considerations but also because God had revealed to him that it was the divine will that Judah come under the rule of Babylonia (or Chaldea). Acknowledgment of Nebuchadrezzar as overlord of Judah was necessary to save the city of Jerusalem from destruction, the land from being ravaged, and the people from being taken into exile. Because the influential princes and leaders favored Egypt and made that Judah's policy, Jeremiah's course and counsel appeared disloyal and treasonable. King Zedekiah seems to have recognized the wisdom and validity of Jeremiah's counsel, but he appears helpless against the Egyptian party.

Because of the wickedness of the people, their acceptance of Assyrian idolatry, and their indulgence in its evil and licentious practices, Judah had taken a course which could lead only to destruction. Disregard of moral and ethical standards leads to individual breakdown and then to the breakdown of society. Thinking to save themselves, the people by large had accepted the idolatrous and evil practices of the Assyrians. In doing so, they destroyed themselves.

God used wicked and pagan people and nations in carrying out His purposes. This does not mean that He approves or that they will continue prosper. The Assyrian which visited God's on the northern kingdom itself destroyed. The nina empire which similar role for the kingdom lasted less century. Crowns and perish. God endures, ling reason why He the prime object loyalty.

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We'll be seeing a lot of young grass fed meat on the market in the weeks ahead. With corn selling for about $3.50 a bushel and choice steers bringing $39 to $40 per cut there isn't any incentive to buy corn and feed it to cattle.
Dairymen should consider using the computer terminal located at the District Extension Office here in Appomattox. With high feed prices this may be a way to cut feed costs. Sam Waddell, Farm Management Agent, will be glad to assist you.
If you're planning to file income tax forms for others this year you should plan to attend one of the Farm and Small Business Income Tax Conferences this fall. There will be two sessions held at Bristol, Fredericksburg, Front Royal, Natural Bridge, Richmond, and Virginia Beach.
We have registration forms if you are interested.
52 percent of the state's soybean crop was planted to York soybeans in 1974, Dare was in second place representing 16 percent of the acreage and Essex was third with 7 per cent of the crop.

...CASSIDY, member of the Concord Rescue Squad, is ...ere using a "life line" pick-up method to lower Bill ...a Junior Member of the Appomattox County Rescue ...from the second story of a building. They are both ...ing in a Basic & Light Rescue Training Session being ...here.

Pamplin

...d Mrs. Ralph E. ...ft last week for a ...n vacation trip to ...the British Isles. ...e Massey returned home last Tuesday after undergoing surgery at the Richmond Eye Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleyton Pollard, Mrs. C. V. Wingfield and Miss Louise Tweedy of Lynchburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Caldwell last Sunday.

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